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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

POTTER, Kevin David and SETCHELL, Christopher (NMI) In re Application of:

National Stage of Serial No.: PCT/GB2003/004606

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POSITIONAL MEASUREMENT OF A FEATURE For:

WITHIN AN IMAGE

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment to the National Stage Application identified above, where election of the U.S. under Chapter II of the PCT was made prior to 19 months from the priority date, in compliance with 37 § C.F.R 1.495(b). This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning A Submission Under 35 U.S.C. § 371.

The National Stage Application is being filed during the pendency of International Application No. PCT/GB2003/004606 filed 23 October 2003 and claiming a priority date of 25 October 2002, and is entitled POSITIONAL MEASUREMENT OF A FEATURE WITHIN AN IMAGE. Applicants' Preliminary Amendment comprises the following:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the Substitute Specification filed concurrently herewith;

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begin on page two (2) of this Preliminary Amendment; and

Remarks that begin on page eight (8) of this Preliminary Amendment.